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SUBJ: ELECTION REPORT: NATIONAL CIVIL REGISTRAR RESIGNS

1. RETIRED GENERAL GERARDO AYERBE CHAUX, NATIONAL CIVIL REGISTRAR FOR SOMEWHAT OVER A YEAR, RESIGNED IN A FIT OF ANGER ON APRIL 24 OVER CHARGES THAT HE HAD BOTCHED THE ELECTION PROCESS. THE REGISTRY ORGANIZES AND SUPERVISES ALL ELECTIONS IN COLOMBIA AND FUNCTIONS UNDER THE JURISDICTION OF THE ELECTORAL COURT.

2. AYERBE HAD COMPLAINED PRIVATELY FOR SOME MONTHS THAT LIBERALS WERE HARASSING HIM WITH PETTY AND UNFOUNDED CHARGES ABOUT PARTIALITY TOWARD THE CONSERVATIVES. AYERBE IS CONVINCED THIS WAS A TACTIC DESIGNED TO PREVENT EVEN THE SLIGHTEST FAVORS FOR CONSERVATIVES.

3. AYERBE HAS NEVER LIKED PRESIDENT-ELECT LOPEZ; THE ILLWILL STEMS FROM THE DAYS WHEN LOPEZ WAS MAKING RADICAL NOISES AS THE LEADER OF THE MRL AND AYERBE WAS A HIGH RANKING MILITARY OFFICER. WHEN LOPEZ COMPLAINED (BOGOTA'S 3449) THAT REGISTRY OFFICIALS WERE RESPONSIBLE FOR THE FACT THAT OVER 100,000 PERSONS WERE

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UNABLE TO VOTE IN BOGOTA ON APR 21, AYERBE BLEW UP AND SUBMITTED

HIS RESIGNATION TO THE ELECTORAL COURT.

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